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- 1. FOLLOWING EMERGED FROM LUNCHEON CONVERSATION SEPT 17 INVOLVING AMBASSADOR KIRCA, TURKISH DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF DND KANDEMIR AND MISSOFF.
- 2. KIRCA EXPRESSED VIEW THAT CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN TURKEY WOULD NOT AFFECT DECISION ALREADY TAKEN TO GO UNINCISED POPPY STRAW ROUTE.
- 3. KIRCA SAID HE IS PUZZLED AS TO WHY USG OFFICIAL CIRCLES HAVE NOT ALREADY MADE FAVORABLE PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GOT'S DECISION. ADVISED THAT PROMPT FAVORABLE REACTION "AT HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL" WOULD HAVE HIGHLY BENEFICIAL EFFECT IN TURKEY. MISSOFF AGREED ASAP CONVEY HIS VIEW WASHINGTON.
- 4. KIRCA STATED HE CONSIDERS BEST WAY PROCEED ON UN CONFIDENTIAL

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FOLLOW-UP TURKISH DECISION WOULD BE FOR GREENFIELD MISSION

TO BE CONTINUED. SAID HE GATHERS FROM REPORTS HE HAS RECEIVED FROM ANKARA OF GREENFIELD'S CONVERSATION WITH ECEVIT THAT SUCH ARRANGEMENT IS DESIRED BY GOT. KIRCA AGREED KANDEMIR SUGGESTION THAT FOLLOWING PROCEDURE SHOULD BE ADOPTED: (A) MARTENS SHOULD ASAP FOLLOWING HIS RETURN GENEVA SEPT 18 ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF KIRCA'S LETTER OF SEPT 13 (REF C) AND INVITE GOT'S VIEWS ON FOLLOW-UP; (B) TURKISH MISSION, FOLLOWING CHECK WITH ANKARA, SHOULD FORMALLY RESPOND TO EFFECT THAT GOT WOULD LIKE GREENFIELD TO CONTINUE HIS MISSION AND WOULD LIKE HIM RETURN ASAP TO ANKARA TO DISCUSS IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED HIS FIRST REPORT.

- 5. ON KANDEMIR'S SUGGESTION, KIRCA ALSO AGREED SEE
 MARTENS SEPT 19 TO INDICATE HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT GOT
 WOULD LIKE PROCEED FOREGOING MANNER. KIRCA REQUESTED
 THAT INCB SECRETARY DITTERT SHOULD IN MEANTIME ASCERTAIN
 INFORMALLY WHETHER GREENFIELD WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT AND WHETHER HE WOULD BE ABLE PROCEED TURKEY SHORTLY.
 KANDEMIR NOTED HE THOUGHT MARTENS WOULD BE MUCH MORE
 READILY RECEPTIVE TO GREENFIELD'S REAPPOINTMENT AS FUND
 CONSULTANT FOR THIS PURPOSE IF KIRCA COULD EMPHASIZE THAT
 GREENFIELD WOULD REPORT TO MARTENS. COMMENTED GREENFIELD
 SHOULD ALSO BE PERSUADED BEAR IN MIND MARTENS' SENSITIVITIES THIS
 REGARD. KIRCA NODDED.
- 6. KIRCA SAID HE THOUGHT GREENFIELD SHOULD MAKE SUGGESTIONS AND SOLICIT VIEWS GOT ASAP ON WHOLE RANGE OF MATTERS ARISING OUT OF IMPLEMENTATION GREENFIELD'S FIRST REPORT AND GOT'S DECISION GO UNINCISED POPPY STRAW ROUTE. NOTED HE CONSIDERS IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE FOR GREENFIELD TAKE UP AS MATTER OF PRIORITY QUESTION OF NEED FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY IN CONNECTION CONSTRUCTION STRAW PROCESSING PLANT AND MANNER IN WHICH SUCH STUDY, IF REQUIRED,

MIGHT BEST BE UNDERTAKEN. INDICATED HE AGREED SUCH FACILITY WOULD BE COMMERCIALLY VIABLE AND THAT PROPOSALS CONCERNING PLANT'S CONSTRUCTION AND FINANCING SHOULD BE SOUGHT COMMERCIALLY. MISSOFF NOTED USG'S WILLINGNESS INFORMALLY ADVISE U.S. OPIATE MANUFACTURERS THAT NO OBJECTION PERCEIVED IN THEIR TALKINGWITH GOT TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THEY MIGHT BE CONFIDENTIAL

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HELPFUL THIS REGARD. KIRCA NODDED.

7. KIRCA RAISED QUESTION OF COMPENSATING POPPY FARMERS IN EVENT THEY RECEIVE LESS INCOME FROM SELLING UNINCISED POPPIES THAN OPIUM GUM TO GOT. DRAWING ON REFS A AND B WHICH ARE MOST TIMELYAND HELPFUL, MISSOFF NOTED THAT WHILE RELIABLE RESEARCH DATA IS NEEDED TO ESTABLISH PRECISE ECONOMICS OF SITUATION, USDA EXPERTS ESTIMATE THAT FARMERS WILL UNQUESTIONABLY RECEIVE

GREATER INCOME FROM SELLING UNINCISED STRAW. KIRCA COMMENTED THAT INFO FROM USDA EXPERTS APPEARS INDICATE THAT COMPENSATION UNLIKELY BE NEEDED. MISSOFF AGREED BUT NOTED THAT THIS WAS ANOTHER MATTER WHICH MIGHT BE MOST APPROPRIATELY PURSUED BY GREENFIELD WITH TURKISH AUTHORITIES. SHE ADDED THAT IF STAND-BY ARRANGEMENT DESIRED BY GOT, USG WOULD FAVOR UNFDAC'S SYMPATHETICALLY CONSIDERING TURKISH REQUEST THIS EFFECT.

8. KIRCA NOTED HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL FOR TOSUN, AND POSSIBLY SECOND TURKISH PARTICIPANT BRACTEATUM MEETING, TO PROCEED FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER TO USDA, BELTSVILLE TO DISCUSS POPPY STRAW CULTIVATION AND OBTAIN PRIOR BRIEFING ON BRACTEATUM.

MISSOFF SAID USG ALSO CONSIDERED THIS WOULD BE HIGHLY DESIRABLE AND SHE AGREED RECOMMEND TO MARTENS THAT UN NARCOTICS LABORATORY ARRANGE FOR AND FINANCE SUCH VISIT.

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